

REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on July 12, 2004, and the references cited therewith. No claims are amended or canceled. Claims 1-18 remain pending.

Double Patenting Rejection

Claims 1-18 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-12 of U.S. Patent No. 6,668,193. Applicant submits herewith a terminal disclaimer to overcome the rejection.

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at (847) 432-7302 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

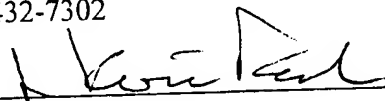
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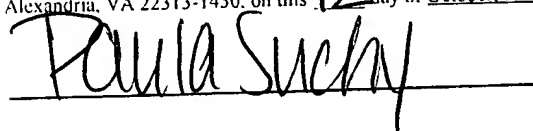
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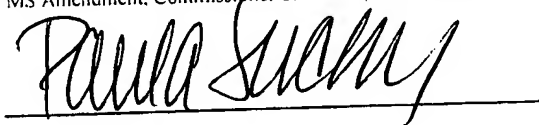


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